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What do you think?

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Thanks very much Melissa.

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Yes, generally we do see some discussion of wildfire in most projects. Such discussions usually include information on the risks of wildfire inherent in the project area and associated with the project-type; the project area's history of fire, any recent trends, as well as increases in risk (in both frequency and severity) expected due to climate change; any fire management plans, policies, districts, best management practices, etc. relevant to the project area, project plan, and/or associated RMP; and the specific effects that could occur considering the type of project, materials onsite, and resources present in the area.

Hope that helps,
Melissa

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Hi –

We have received some comments about the possible impacts of wildfire to the DB site re. wildfires and floods:

See e.g.

65. commenter states that the CEA must include a thorough discussion of how the problem of wildfire impacts would be dealt with to protect the land, air, and water because wildfires are a common problem in the area, and the CEA omits this discussion. According to the commenter there have been at least three large wildfires in the area in the last five years. The commenter asserted that Crow Butte ISL mine - only about 65 miles from Dewey-Burdock--was evacuated in 2012 due to a wildfire. The commenter also noted that impacts on water, air, and land could be enormous, if a building containing nuclear materials, wellfields, or storage ponds were impacted by a wildfire. Do we expect other federal agencies to address these types of impacts when we are reviewing their EIS documents?

Thanks,
Erin